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Re: Petition for Arbitration of US LEC of Tennessee Inc. of an Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant to Section 252(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended

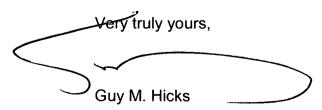
Petition of US LEC of Tennessee Inc. to Resolve Dispute with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. on Change of Law Provisions to the Interconnection Agreement

Docket No. 04-00089

## Dear Chairman Tate

On May 10, 2004, the parties submitted a letter to you requesting an additional week (until today, Friday, May 14) to file a joint issues matrix. The parties are pleased to report to you that they have settled all issues in this arbitration except for Issue A-5. The parties will be discussing Issue A-5 today and hope to resolve it by agreement in the near future. Given these positive developments, the parties request another week's extension to file the issues matrix. The parties hope to submit a letter to you next week indicating that all issues have been settled.

Local counsel for US LEC has authorized me to submit this letter on US LEC's behalf A copy of this letter is being provided to counsel for US LEC.



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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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